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Report of the Administrator

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I. INTRODUCTION

In accordance with its decision 92/47 of 26 May 1992, the Governing Council will hold its organizational meeting for 1993 in New York on 16 February 1993 and its special session from 16 to 19 February 1993, also in New York. The special session is scheduled to begin immediately following the organizational meeting. The draft provisional agendas, annotations and lists of documents for these meetings as well as the provisional agenda for the Standing Committee for Programme Matters are presented below.

The Governing Council may wish to organize the consideration of the agenda items in accordance with the timetable contained in the annex to the present document. This timetable should be considered as tentative and indicative in character. In accordance with its past practice, should the Council complete consideration of an item before an indicated date or time, it may move immediately to the next item on its work schedule.

II. ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

A. Provisional agenda

1. Opening of the meeting.

2. Election of officers.

3. Adoption of the agenda.

4. Rationalization of the work of the Governing Council.

5. Matters relating to the work of the Governing Council in 1993:

   (a) Provisional agenda and organization of work for the special session;

   (b) Provisional agenda and organization of work for the fortieth session.

6. Other matters.

B. Annotations

1. Opening of the meeting

2. Election of officers

In accordance with rule 11 of the rules of procedure (DP/1/Rev.4), the Governing Council will elect a Bureau consisting of a President and four Vice-Presidents. Pursuant to footnote 2 of the same rule, "In electing the Bureau, due account should be taken of the need to ensure equitable geographical representation. In the election of the President, due regard shall be given to the geographical rotation of this office among the different regional groups".

According to the established pattern of rotation of posts among the various regional groups, the President of the Council for 1993 should be elected from among the Council members of the group of African States.

The Governing Council may wish to take into account that the President will be required to designate presiding officers for the Budgetary and Finance Committee and the Drafting Group. In accordance with paragraph 3 of decision 91/2 of 22 February 1991, the meetings of the Standing Committee for Programme Matters shall be chaired by the President of the Governing Council or by another member of the Bureau designated by the President.

3. Adoption of the agenda

The present provisional agenda and the annotations thereto have been prepared in accordance with past practice and reflect items which need to be considered pursuant to decisions emanating from previous sessions of the Governing Council.

4. Rationalization of the work of the Governing Council

In paragraph 11 of its decision 92/2 of 14 February 1992, the Governing Council decided "to review at its annual organizational meeting additional possibilities for the rationalization of the work of the Governing Council, including a review of meeting and documentation requirements".

Bearing in mind that the General Assembly is currently discussing restructuring and revitalization of the United Nations in the economic, social and related fields, no new major initiative to streamline the work of the Governing Council is being proposed before the conclusion of the on-going United Nations reform effort.

The Governing Council will have before it a note by the secretariat (Document DP/1993/2) containing a table of subjects included in the Council agenda for 1992-1995, as requested by the Council in paragraph 9 of decision 92/2.

Possible decisions taken under this item may affect the draft provisional agenda of the fortieth session of the Governing Council (1993) and the organization of work to be discussed under item 5.

5. Matters relating to the work of the Governing Council in 1993

(a) Provisional agenda and organization of work for the special session

The Governing Council will have before it for consideration and approval the draft provisional agenda and organization of work for the special session, including that for the Standing Committee for Programme Matters, contained in Chapter III and the annex of the present document. The report on the status of documents for the special session is contained in document DP/1993/1.

(b) Provisional agenda and organization of work for the fortieth session

The Governing Council will have before it for consideration and approval a note by the secretariat (DP/1993/L.2) containing the draft provisional agenda and a tentative schedule of work for its fortieth session (1993).

The note by the secretariat has been finalized before the conclusion of the work of the ad hoc open-ended working group established by the President of the General Assembly at its forty-seventh session on agenda item 47 (Restructuring and revitalization of the United Nations in the economic, social and related fields). Decisions concerning agenda and organization of work for the fortieth session of the Governing Council may need to be taken in the light of the conclusions of the work of the ad hoc working group.

In accordance with decision 92/47 of 26 May 1992, the fortieth session of the Council will begin at the United Nations Headquarters in New York on Tuesday, 1 June 1993. A proposal for closure of the session on Friday, 18 June 1993 is submitted for consideration of the Council.

The Governing Council may wish to consider which items of the provisional agenda will be allocated to the Budgetary and Finance Committee and to the Standing Committee for Programme Matters for their consideration. It might be recalled that, in accordance with paragraph 4 (a) of decision 81/37 of 27 June 1981 and paragraph 4 of decision 91/2 A of 22 February 1991, the two Committees will have their own agenda and organization of work.

The Governing Council is, as in previous years, invited to waive its requirement that documents be submitted to the Office of Conference Services at least 10 weeks before the fortieth session for some documents that are based on data received from other agencies or financial data concerning the year 1992.

6. Other matters

C. List of documents

Item of the provisional agenda	Subject	Document number
3	Provisional agenda, annotations, list of documents and organization of work: Organizational meeting and special session	DP/1993/L.1
3	Status of documents: Organizational meeting and special session	DP/1993/1
4	Rationalization of the work of the Governing Council	DP/1993/2
5	Provisional agenda and organization of work: Fortieth session	DP/1993/L.2

III. SPECIAL SESSION

A. Provisional agenda

1. Adoption of the agenda.

2. Environment and development.

3. Matters relating to the programming cycles: Communications received containing requests to be given recipient status.

4. The activities of the United Nations Development Programme in the Baltic States and the Commonwealth of Independent States.

5. Programme planning and implementation:

   (a) Country programmes and projects;

   (b) Tentative timetable for mid-term reviews 1993-1995;

   (c) Administrative authority to approve preparatory assistance to global projects.

   (d) Sectoral Support Programme: UNIDO Country Director

6. Other matters.

B. Annotations

1. Adoption of the agenda

The present provisional agenda and annotations have been prepared in accordance with past practice and reflect items which need to be considered pursuant to decisions emanating from previous sessions of the Governing Council.

2. Environment and development

In accordance with its decision 92/16 of 26 May 1992, the Governing Council will have before it a report on the following:

(a) Specific proposals that may emerge (i) from the review of UNDP internal capacity to meet the growing demands of the developing countries in the area of sustainable development; and (ii) from the recommendations of the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development (UNCED), and the deliberations of the Global Environment Facility participants meeting;

(b) Proposals on specific ways and means to combat desertification and drought, including strengthening the coordinated operations and the effectiveness of the United Nations system to meet this objective, taking into account the role identified for the United Nations Sudano-Sahelian Office by the UNCED Preparatory

Committee (DP/1993/3).

3. Matters relating to the programming cycles: Communications received containing requests to be given recipient status

The Governing Council will have before it a note by the secretariat bringing to the attention of the Council that the Administrator has received communications containing requests to be given recipient status from Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, Georgia, Slovenia and Tajikistan (DP/1993/4).

4. The activities of the United Nations Development Programme in the Baltic States and the Commonwealth of Independent States

In accordance with its decision 92/43 of 26 May 1992, the Governing Council will have before it a report of the Administrator on action undertaken in implementation of this decision (DP/1993/5).

5. Programme planning and implementation

(a) Country programmes and projects

The following country programmes are being submitted for consideration of the Standing Committee for Programme Matters and approval by the Governing Council:

African States: Ethiopia, Ghana, Mauritania, Rwanda, Sao Tomé and Principe, Swaziland and Zimbabwe.

Arab States: Algeria, Djibouti, Egypt and Lebanon.

European States: Bulgaria, Malta and Romania.

Asian States: Papua New Guinea.

Latin American and Caribbean States: Cayman Islands, Jamaica, Panama and Turks and Caicos.

In addition, the Council will have before it an extension of the country programme for Cyprus.

Documents of the respective country programmes are listed in Chapter C below.

The Governing Council will also have before it a note by the Administrator concerning approval of projects in Somalia on a case-by-case basis, pending normalization of the situation in that country (DP/1993/59).

(b) Tentative timetable for mid-term reviews 1993-1995

In response to paragraph 5 of Governing Council decision 92/28 of 26 May

1992, a report is submitted to the Council containing a tentative timetable for the various mid-term reviews to be carried out in the years 1993-1995, together with proposals concerning reporting on the outcome of the reviews (DP/1993/6).

(c) Administrative authority to approve preparatory assistance to global projects

The Governing Council will have before it a recommendation to increase the authority granted to the Administrator from the present level of $125,000 to $250,000 for all global preparatory assistance projects (DP/1993/51).

(d) Sectoral Support Programme: UNIDO Country Director

The Industrial Development Board of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO), in its decision 11 of 6 November 1992 concerning the UNIDO Country Director programme, invited the Governing Council of UNDP, at its February 1993 session, if possible, to consider the need for and possibility of increasing the annual allocation as of 1993 for the UNIDO Country Director (UCD) programme to permit at least the maintenance of the present number of UCD posts, and preferably to increase the number of UCD posts to reach the target established.

In response to this UNIDO decision, and in light of the financial expenditures reported for 1992 and the estimates for 1993, the Administrator proposes that the Governing Council consider increasing the yearly allocation for 1992 and 1993 within the limits of the total $19 million earmarked by the Council for funding the UNIDO Country Director programme under the Sectoral Support Programme in the fifth cycle. This would lead to a corresponding reduction of yearly allocations for the last three years of the cycle (DP/1993/61).

C. List of documents

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1	Status of documents: Organizational meeting and special session	DP/1993/1
2	Environment and development	DP/1993/3
3	Communications received containing requests to be given recipient status	DP/1993/4
4	The activities of UNDP in the Baltic States and the Commonwealth of Independent States	DP/1993/5

5(a) Country programmes:

African states	
Fifth country programme for Ethiopia	DP/CP/ETH/5
Fifth country programme for Ghana	DP/CP/GHA/5
Fourth country programme for Mauritania	DP/CP/MAU/4
Fifth country programme for Rwanda	DP/CP/RWA/5
Fourth country programme for Sao Tomé and Principe	DP/CP/STP/4
Fifth country programme for Swaziland	DP/CP/SWA/5
Third country programme for Zimbabwe	DP/CP/ZIM/3
Arab states	
Sixth country programme for Algeria	DP/CP/ALG/6
Third country programme for Djibouti	DP/CP/DJI/3
Fifth country programme for Egypt	DP/CP/EGY/5
Third country programme for Lebanon	DP/CP/LEB/3
European States	
Fifth country programme for Bulgaria	DP/CP/BUL/5
Fifth country programme for Malta	DP/CP/MAT/5
Fifth country programme for Romania	DP/CP/ROM/5
Extension of the third country programme for Cyprus	DP/CP/CYP/3/ EXTENSION I
Asian States	
Fifth country programme for Papua New Guinea	DP/CP/PNG/5
Latin American and Caribbean States	
Third country programme for Cayman Islands	DP/CP/CAY/3
Fifth country programme for Jamaica	DP/CP/JAM/5

	Fifth country programme for Panama	DP/CP/PAN/5
	Third country programme for Turks and Caicos Islands	DP/CP/TCI/3
5(a)	Case-by-case project approval in Somalia	DP/1993/59
5(b)	Tentative timetable for mid-term reviews 1993-1995	DP/1993/6
5(c)	Administrative authority to approve preparatory assistance to global projects	DP/1993/51
5(d)	Sectoral Support Programme: UNIDO Country Director	DP/1993/61

D. Provisional agenda of the Standing Committee for Programme Matters

1. Opening of the session and election of the Rapporteur.

2. Adoption of the agenda and organization of work.

3. Field visits.

4. Country programmes and projects.

5. Future programme of work, including tentative timetable for mid-term reviews to be carried out 1993-1995.

6. Adoption of the report of the Standing Committee for Programme Matters to the Governing Council.

Annex

Organizational meeting and special session 16-19 February 1993

		Plenary	Standing Committee for Programme Matters
Tuesday, 16 February	a.m.	ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING 1. Opening of meeting 2. Election of officers 3. Adoption of agenda 4. Rationalization of the work of the Governing Council 5. Matters relating to the work in 1993 6. Other matters SPECIAL SESSION Adoption of agenda (1)	
	p.m.	Environment and development (2) Requests to be given recipient status (3) The activities of UNDP in the Baltic States and CIS (4) Authority to approve preparatory assistance to global projects (5(c)) Sectoral Support Programme: UNIDO Country Director (5(d))	Introduction of reports on field visits Country programmes AFRICAN STATES
Wednesday, 17 February	a.m.	Meeting	Country programmes AFRICAN STATES ARAB STATES
	p.m.	Meeting	Country programmes ARAB STATES EUROPEAN STATES
Thursday, 18 February	a.m.		Country programmes ASIAN STATES LATIN AMERICAN AND CARIBBEAN STATES
	p.m.		Other matters
Friday, 19 February	a.m.		Future programme of work, including timetable for mid-term reviews 1993-1995 Report of the Standing Committee
	p.m.	ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING Adoption of decisions SPECIAL SESSION Adoption of decisions	